

SOUTH DAKOTA WHEAT COMMISSION MEETING
March 13, 2018
RedRossa Convention Center, 808 W Sioux Avenue, Pierre, SD
Minutes

Present:

Commissioners:	Clinton Vanneman, SDWC Tregg Cronin, SDWC Chet Edinger, SDWC Terry Hand, SDWC Leon Koeppel, SDWC
Staff:	Reid Christopherson, SDWC Carolyn Theobald, SDWC
Guests:	Caren Assman, SDWI Executive Director Dr. David Wright, SDSU AHPS Department Head Dr. Bill Gibbons, SDSU Interim AES Director Brian Sanderson, SD-DOA Business Development Director

Call to Order:

Chairman Vanneman called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Edinger moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Hand. Motion approved.

Approval of Minutes:

Commissioner Cronin moved to approve the January 31, 2018 Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Edinger. Motion approved.

I. Financial Reports

A. Review January 2018 and February 2018 Financials

Theobald presented January 2018 and February 2018 financials. Discussion took place.

Commissioner Hand moved to approve the January 2018 and February 2018 financials, seconded by Commissioner Cronin. Motion approved.

B. Fiscal Year 2018 Receipts/Expenditures/Cash Flow

Discussion took place.

C. Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Updates/Funding Requests

Discussion took place.

D. Multi-Year Payment Projects

Discussion took place for the following projects:

- National Association of Wheat Growers
- Rail Project
- SDSU Greenhouse

II. Production Forecast

A. 2018 Production Estimates

Discussion took place.

B. 2018 Winter Wheat Projection

Discussion took place.

III. Organization Reports

A. South Dakota Department of Agriculture

Sanderson reported on the following activities with SD-DOA with discussion taking place:

- DOA Promotion for Livestock and Importance to Producer and State
- International Dairy Foods Conference

B. SDSU

Dr. Wright and Dr. Gibbons reported on the following activities with SDSU with discussion taking place:

- Precision Ag Building - Legislature Approved Funding
- Purchase of 110 Acres by Sturgis, SD
- Changes within SDSU College of Agriculture and Biological Studies
- Increase in Grants Received by SDSU
- Research into Livestock Confinement
- SE Farm, Dakota Lakes, and Sturgis to Include Crop Livestock Integration
- McFadden Symposium, May 1-2, 2018
- Dean Dr. Killefer, Official Start Date is March 22, 2018

IV. Staff Reports

A. South Dakota Wheat Inc. – Caren Assman, Executive Director

Assman reported on the following activities at SDWI with discussion taking place:

- SDWI's Building-Septic Backup in Basement Report
- Commodity Classic, Anaheim, CA
- NAWG Update, Including Dues and Arrears
- Update for Representation, Communication and Education for the Producer
- South Dakota Legislative Report Including Annual Inspections of Moisture and Protein Testers
- Wheat Yield Contest
- 2018 Wheat Walks with Focus on How Wheat in Rotation is Beneficial
- Ag Horizons

B. South Dakota Wheat Commission - Reid Christopherson, Executive Director

Christopherson reported on the following activities at SDWC with discussion taking place:

- Annual Report
- Upcoming travel

Note: Brian Sanderson departed at 12:10 p.m.

V. Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Development

A. Income Projection

Discussion took place.

B. Expense Projection

Discussion took place.

C. SDSU Research Proposals

Discussion took place.

Commissioner Edinger moved to pledge support to SDSU in the amount of \$477,000 for FY2019 proposals as attached, seconded by Commissioner Hand. Motion approved.

VI. Administrative Matters

A. Upcoming Events

Discussion took place.

B. Out of State Travel Approval

- Wheat Foods Council Executive Committee, March 18-22, 2018, Napa, CA – Christopherson (Approved BOD 12/04/2017)
- Wheat Administrator Meeting, March 25-28, 2018, Oklahoma City, OK – Christopherson (Approved BOD 01/31/2018)
- Minneapolis Area Wheat Tour, May 2018 Dates to be Determined, Minneapolis, MN – Christopherson (Approved BOD 01/31/2018)
- Wheat Foods Council, June 11-15, 2018, Portland, OR – Christopherson (Approved BOD 01/31/2018)
- U.S. Wheat Summer Meeting, June 21-25, 2018, Seattle, WA – Chairman Vanneman, Commissioner Edinger, Christopherson (Approved 01/31/2018)
Additional Participants: Commissioner Hand, Commissioner Cronin, Commissioner Koeppe
- U.S. Wheat Fall Meeting, October 29 – November 3, 2018, Tampa, FL – Chairman Vanneman, Commissioner Edinger, Commissioner Hand, Commissioner Cronin, Commissioner Koeppe, Christopherson

Commissioner Koeppe moved to approve travel as presented, seconded by Commissioner Cronin. Motion approved.

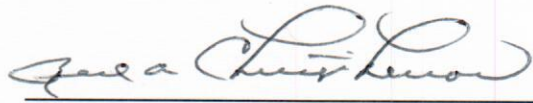
C. Commission Meeting Dates

June 28, 2018

Commissioner Edinger moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:17 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Hand. Meeting adjourned.

Chet Edinger, Commissioner

Date

 6/28/18
Reid A. Christopherson, Executive Director

Date

For the purpose of continuity, the minutes may not be in chronological order.

April 11, 2018

Dr. Bill Gibbons, Interim Director
South Dakota Agricultural Experiment Station
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South Dakota State University
Brookings SD 57007

Dear Dr. Gibbons:

The commissioners of the South Dakota Wheat Commission have completed an exceptionally difficult task of reviewing the outstanding research proposals that were submitted by the researchers at South Dakota State University. Unfortunately several factors have combined to significantly limit the ability of the Commission to fully fund all of these deserving projects.

These factors include:

- Research funding is awarded within the same fiscal year that it is collected.
- The fiscal year of the State of South Dakota necessitates the adoption of a budget prior to July 1st of each year – several weeks prior to the completion of harvest and knowledge of harvest realities.
- Ever-decreasing wheat prices, planted acreage and resulting check-off income in response to factors that are beyond the control of producers and the Commission.
- This research funding is in addition to completion of the \$700,000.00 commitment to the new Greenhouse (over five years) and the Commission's ongoing support for the McFadden Endowment, Agricultural Heritage Museum and scholarships within the Department of Agronomy, Horticulture and Plant Science.

Based upon these factors the commissioners have limited the initial research funding commitment for FY19 to \$477,000.00. Although significantly less than requested funding it does represent a 12% increase for research funding over FY18. Many of the selected research projects will be funded at a level less than the initial request to allow the funds to be spread across as many projects as possible. The selected proposals are listed on page two of this letter.

It is important to note that the final budget decision will not be made until June 2018. Monthly payment installments will start in July 2018. Even though the final budget has not yet been adopted, the commissioners feel that it is critical to provide as much advance guidance as possible to allow researchers to initiate summer work plans and student employment commitments. Consequently the commissioners are pledging this funding support for the upcoming fiscal year.

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The research proposals selected for funding at this time, at the levels indicated, are listed below:

<u>Project Leader</u>	<u>Current Title</u>	<u>Requested 2019 Funding</u>	<u>Approved 2019 Funding</u>
<u>Disease, Weed and Pest Control</u>			
1 Ali	Sustainable Disease Mngmt for Profitable Wheat Production	\$ 59,603	\$ 55,000
2 Langham	Eva. Of Wheat for Resistance&Response to Viral Diseases in SD	\$ 41,452	\$ 40,000
3 Nepal	Disc. Genes Expressed during Tan Spot Inoculation	\$ 22,000	\$ -
Add Strunk	Wheat Disease Research & Education	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000
<u>Production Research</u>			
4 Edwards	SD Mesonet Real-Time Support Tool for Wheat Producers	\$ 25,058	\$ -
5 Kleinjan	Winter & Spring Wheat Variety Trials	\$ 28,088	\$ 25,000
<u>Wheat Quality Evaluation</u>			
6 Krishnan	Wheat Quality Evaluation & Enhanced End-Use Applications	\$ 27,254	\$ 25,000
Add Glover	Quadrumat Junior Mill for Wheat Milling and Baking Quality Evaluation	\$ 27,000	\$ -
<u>Wheat Variety Development and Genetics</u>			
7 Glover	SW Breeding & Cultivator Devel.	\$ 140,000	\$ 135,000
8 Glover	SW Breeding for Disease Resistance	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
9 Li	Transfer Alleles of Grain Size Regulators into SD Wheat Inc Prod.	\$ 36,519	\$ -
10 Sehgal	WW Breeding and Variety Development	\$ 125,829	\$ 125,000
11 Sehgal	Accelerated Breeding for Disease & Insect Pest Resistance in WW	\$ 32,023	\$ 30,000
TOTALS		\$606,826	\$477,000

Although there is a common wish that more initial funding could have been pledged, the South Dakota Wheat Commission is pleased to provide this very important contribution of check-off investments on behalf of the participating South Dakota wheat producers.

Please feel free to contact me with questions or concerns at: reid@sdwheat.org, or (605) 222-3449.

Sincerely,



Reid A. Christopherson
Executive Director